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MARCH.—John March, March 15, 1902, aged 76 years 9 months and 26 days. He was born in Germany May 17, 1825; married to Caroline Gers-taker, June 18, 1855. To this union there were born five children, two sons and three daughters. He leaves to mourn his departure a wife, two sons and two daughters, twenty-one grand children and two great-grand children, one daughter having preceded him to the spirit world. He united with a church known as the Leedyites, in the year 1866 and in two years thereafter he and his wife united with the Brethren church, remaining a faithful and consistent member of the same until his death. Brother March was a patient sufferer, he being an invalid for almost two years and confined to his bed for over five months. About one year ago brother I. D. Bowman and the writer were called to anoint him. Sermon by the writer from Job 16: 22, assisted by Rev. Adams of the Lutheran church of Belfountain, Ohio.

M. S. WHITE.

FLETCHER.—George Arthur Fletcher, at his home in Covington, Ohio, March 11, 1902, aged 25 years, 5 months and 19 days. He was united in marriage with Miss Mary Black of Pleasant Hill, Ohio, October 28, 1897. To this union there was born one child. He leaves a wife, one son, father and mother, three brothers and one sister, and a host of friends to mourn his departure. The death was caused by measles, and as it was considered contagious there was no public funeral held, only short services at the home, conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. McAllister of the Christian church. Sister Fletcher is a member of the Brethren church at Pleasant Hill, it being my privilege to baptize her, and I am very forcibly impressed with this singular coincidence that she was baptized March 11, 1901 and his death occurred March 11, 1902. To her our hearts go out in tender sympathy in this her darkest hour and our prayers are that the God who has bereft her will abundantly provide for and bless her.

M. S. WHITE.

GITHENS.—Ellis, son of George W. and Mary Githens, Tuesday morning, March 17, 1902. Aged 63 years, 8 months and 24 days. He united with the Brethren church at Miamisburg twelve years ago, since which time he has lived a quiet, consistent life. As a husband he was true and devoted. As a father he was kind and indulgent. As a neighbor he was peaceable and obliging. Paralysis caused his sudden death. May the God of all grace keep and comfort those who mourn his departure. Services conducted by the writer at the Miamisburg church.

WM. BEACHLER.

HORNER.—John J. Horner at Falls City, Nebraska, March 8, 1902. Aged 54 years 11 months and 11 days. He was born in Somerset county, Pa., March 19, 1847.

At the age of nineteen he left his native state to try his fortune in the west. For three years he resided in the state of Illinois. In the year 1869 he moved to the state of Nebraska and located at Falls City. On the 25 day of December 1870 he married Miss Sarah Bowers. After a blessed companionship of thirty-one years she is left to complete her journey alone, yet not alone for there is one who has promised "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee."

Brother Horner was never blest with children. A niece, Miss Myrtie Bowers, has for many years made her home with him and now shares with the widow as a daughter the sorrow of his decease.

Brother Horner was an industrious and honest citizen, bearing the esteem and friendship of a

wide circle of acquaintances. He was a kind husband and a benevolent neighbor. About twenty six years ago he confessed the Lord Jesus as his Savior. He united with the German Baptist Brethren church. When the Brethren church was organized at Silver Creek he became one of its charter members.

Tho a great sufferer from physical pain he bore it all in patient trust and died in "the faith of the Son of God who loved him and gave himself for him," assured that thru him this mortal would put on immortality and this vile body fashioned like unto his own glorious body. Funeral services were conducted in the Brethren church of Falls City and was attended by a large concourse of friends and citizens. Interment at the Silver Creek cemetery. Text of funeral discourse, Job 14: 10, 14 and John 11: 25, 26.

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